

**Our City Election.**  
The returns of the Election came in very slowly last night. There is no doubt of the election of the City Local Officers. Ticket for Judicial Officers. We hope to have returns for our City subscribers, but it was absolutely necessary to omit full returns for out-of-town circulation. Our large edition left us no choice in the premises. Kings County has also gone Local.

**Washington Correspondence.**  
The letter from Washington which appears in our paper to-day is the production of a distinguished member of the dominant party. He promises us "more of the same sort." He can speak like a lawyer having authority for his words, and all that he states is to be relied upon.

Two other gentlemen, at present resident in Washington, and connected for years, more or less, with the press, have engaged to favor us with occasional letters. Their means of information are good, their intelligence has been well proved, and we have no doubt their communications will be highly interesting.

**The Philosophy of Politics.**  
Correspondence of The Tribune.  
WASHINGTON, June 2, 1847.  
There was a window in the breast of each one of the prominent politicians of this country—a moral stethoscope by which their secret thoughts, selfish impulses and uncharitable aspirations, could be ascertained with the nicety of a mathematical demonstration, and spread, like characters on a map, before the public, how different the estimation in which some of them would be held! No man, says the French proverb, is a hero to his valet-de-chambre; possibly, no Frenchman ever was, for there is always some guano—some attempt at effect, in the conduct of even their most distinguished. It is, however, universally true that false greatness or assumed character becomes exposed in its genuine colors on familiar approach; and many of our GREAT MEN would sink into natural insignificance, if their character and pretensions were truly developed to the world.

To prevent misapprehension, I beg leave to say that I do not intend to make application of these remarks to Mr. President Polk. It requires no near access to his person, to form his abilities and character a proper opinion: the nature of his character is so patent that it can be distinguished as easily at a distance as on a nearer view.

It is necessary, however, in this connection to speak somewhat of Mr. Polk, his conduct and its motive. That the entire internal policy of his administration has been predicated upon the hope of reelection is the general belief—a belief warranted by a proper observation of facts. The leading politicians of the Democratic party certainly discovered, as early as the first Congress after his election, that this desire has been the all-controlling influence of his administration, with his own party especially; and that it has been the knowledge of this fact, which has rendered the President so deplorable odious to a vast majority of the leading Democrats of the country—has so cast a shadow of doubt upon his administration.

That it has dictated *unconsciously* of the opposition to office, no one will question, who will take the trouble to examine the subject. Van Buren, Cass, Men, Calhoun, men, "Partisans of Mr. Polk," were treated alike with kindness or neglect as they favored or frowned upon the Presidential aspirations. It has been the policy of Mr. Polk from the early start to foment divisions in the party, to weaken *seriatim* the different sections of it, to prevent union, harmony and conciliation between the different leaders, and thus compel his own re-election in '48, as his sole *raison d'être*.

The candidate of the Democracy, his course in relation to Mr. Wright, Judge Woodbury (father of whom was consulted or referred to in the formation of his Cabinet) Gen. Cass, Mr. Hannegan and others has been equally treacherous, and unaccountable, save on one supposition. His conduct toward Messrs. Hannegan and Heyward upon the Oregon question is typical of the hateful mystery of his proceedings throughout. He spoke to those distinguished gentlemen with a bifurcated tongue; gave opposite assurances to each, and impartially violated them; and so exasperated these honorable men that one declared in his seat in the Senate, that if Mr. Polk did pursue the course foreshadowed by Mr. Heyward, he would kick so deep that the trumpet of the Angel of Reconciliation could not reach him; and the other resigned his position as Senator as the sole escape from the difficulties into which reliance upon Presidential assurances had involved him.

The selection of his Cabinet—the sole change that has been made in it—the reason therefor—these are among the many indications of the intention with which he arrived at Washington. Mr. Bancroft was admitted into the Cabinet chiefly on account of his supposed personal attachment to Mr. Polk; an attachment of so impulsive a nature as to induce him to visit Mr. Polk in Tennessee before the nomination at the Baltimore Convention! He was also a Van Buren Anti-Slavery Democrat, and Mr. Polk thought his appointment would be a sop to the Northern Cerberus of Democracy, just then beginning to affect a more delicate sort of antipathy to Slavery in the abstract!

But when it was found that his profuse professions of attachment to the person of the President, however sincere, brought no accession of political strength to his cause;—that his farther retention in the Cabinet would alienate the Southern Democracy, unable to digest a former ally and enemy, and was likely to incur against his official conduct, his character in character and manners, and his notorious want of veracity—Mr. Polk persuaded him to go into honorable retirement as *Minister to Great Britain*!

**Socialism in High Places.**  
Bitterly as the *Courier & Enquirer* opposes Association when seen through a certain medium, only change the point of view a little and the same journal can even admit this usually so alarming object. In its notice of the recent procession of the Old Fellows it says:

"Altogether it was an interesting and gratifying spectacle, to see men of all classes and pursuits, of all creeds and opinions, thus united for the purpose of rendering assistance to each other in the afflictions which are incidental to human life."  
This is encouraging; having thus learned A, in due course of time, to master B, and some of the other letters of the alphabet. For this—to borrow words applied by the *Courier* on another occasion—it is only necessary "to wait until it shall be given from effects to causes." At present we fear that our contemporary must be set down as "simply another Monsieur Jourdain who spoke prose without knowing it."

"We are indebted to Mr. Dennis for Boston papers of yesterday morning."

**GRAHAM'S MAGAZINE** for June presents its usual variety of both prose and verse. "Books," or the Misfortunes of Peter Fisk, is the title of a graphic and amusing sketch by J. F. C. Neal, and there are contributions from other well known writers. A capital story by T. S. Arthur we shall copy as soon as we can find room. The engraving of the number "The Home and the Field of Focos" are very pretty. This number closes the XXXth volume of this popular Magazine. May it shadow never be seen. (W. H. Graham, Tribune Building, Agent.)

**THE HORTICULTURIST**, No. 12, edited by A. J. Downing, is now published and for sale by M. H. Newman & Co. 140 Broadway. It completes the first volume. We are glad to know that the experiment of establishing a journal devoted to the improvement of the more refined arts of Agriculture has proved entirely successful.

**THE CULTIVATOR** for June—filled with a choice variety of reading for the Farmer—may be had of M. H. Newman & Co. 140 Broadway.

The Election yesterday passed off quietly enough. The aggregate vote polled, we have not been able to ascertain, but it must have been small. One indication, and a strong one, however, that in a matter of so much importance the people are determined to exercise their own sound discretion, is the fact that various expurgations or changes were made in the tickets before they were deposited in the ballot boxes. Our opponents have outnumbered us, it is true, here in the City; but we can bear their success without the regret that follows defeat in party triumphs generally.

Of course, we have no knowledge of the result in the State; but we anticipate with some confidence the election of two, at least, of our candidates for the Court of Appeals and of our candidate for Clerk.

Mr. McKee's vote for District Attorney in the City will probably outnumber the combined vote of the two Whig candidates; which of the latter has obtained the largest vote cannot as yet be ascertained.

Owing to the great number of Independent ballots that were given, it was impossible to canvass the votes in time for this morning's edition, our returns, therefore, are necessarily incomplete, but are still sufficiently indicative of the result.

**JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS.**

Wards.	North.	West.	East.	City.	Grand.	Reg.	Ward.
II.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
III.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
IV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
V.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
VI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
VII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
VIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
IX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
X.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XIV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XVI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XVII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XVIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XIX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXIV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXVI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXVII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXVIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXIX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223

**JUDGES SUPREME COURT.**

Wards.	North.	West.	East.	City.	Grand.	Reg.	Ward.
II.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
III.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
IV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
V.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
VI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
VII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
VIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
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X.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
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XIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
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XV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
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XX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXIV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXVI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXVII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXVIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXIX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223

**JUDGES SUPERIOR COURT.**

Wards.	North.	West.	East.	City.	Grand.	Reg.	Ward.
II.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
III.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
IV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
V.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
VI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
VII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
VIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
IX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
X.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XIV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
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XVI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XVII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XVIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XIX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXIV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXVI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXVII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXVIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXIX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223

**JUDGES COMMON PLEAS.**

Wards.	North.	West.	East.	City.	Grand.	Reg.	Ward.
II.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
III.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
IV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
V.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
VI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
VII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
VIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
IX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
X.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XIV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XVI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XVII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XVIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XIX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXIV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXV.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXVI.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXVII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXVIII.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXIX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223
XXX.	223	223	223	223	223	223	223

**KINGS COUNTY.**

The subjoined are the average majorities for County Officers, as far as we could obtain in the City of Brooklyn, up to a late hour last evening—The other tickets were incomplete, owing to the numerous splits in the different Wards. From Williamsburgh and the surrounding towns the returns were more accurate:

WILLIAMSBURGH.	
<i>Whig Maj.</i>	
Court.....	189 District Attorney
.....	800 County Judge..
rt of Appeals.....	
Appeals..	Horace Dresser (Abol.)
BUSHWICK.	